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Arkansas Crop Progress and Condition





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Reporting for the week ending October 7, 2012

General

On average, farmers had 5.4 days suitable for fieldwork. Topsoil moisture supplies were 7 percent very short, 25 percent short, 59 percent adequate and 9 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture supplies were 18 percent very short, 34 percent short, 45 percent adequate and 3 percent surplus. Low temperatures ranged from 33 degrees Fahrenheit at Fayetteville and Ozark to 48 degrees Fahrenheit at Eudora. Highs ranged from 80 degrees Fahrenheit at Mena to 87 degrees Fahrenheit at Fort Smith and DeQueen.

Crops

Cotton was 99 percent opening bolls and 50 percent harvested, 28 percent ahead of the previous year and 18 percent ahead of the five-year average. Rice was 95 percent harvested, 21 percent ahead of the previous year and 19 percent ahead of the five-year average. Soybeans were 95 percent yellowing, 85 percent shedding and 70 percent mature. Fifty-three percent of soybeans were harvested, 21 percent ahead of the previous year and 19 percent ahead of the five-year average. Winter wheat was 11 percent planted and 2 percent emerged. Harvesting continued throughout the state amid intermittent rains.

Livestock

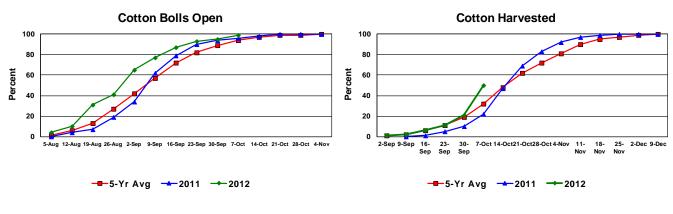
Livestock were in fair condition. Pasture and range conditions were mostly poor to fair. Producers continued to treat for armyworms.

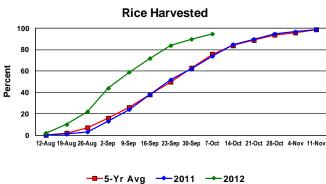
Percent of Progress

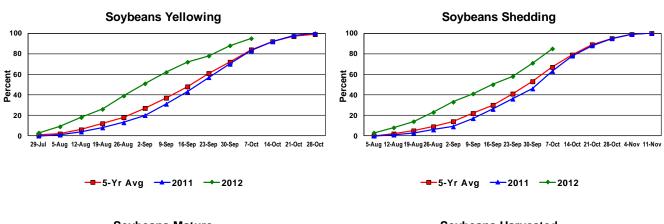
Crop	Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	2011	5-Year Avg				
Cotton	Opening Bolls	99	95	96					
	Harvested	50	21	22	32				
Rice	Harvested	95	90	74	76				
Soybeans	Yellowing	95	88	83	84				
	Shedding	85	71	63	67				
	Mature	70	60	44	51				
	Harvested	53	42	32	34				
Winter Wheat	Planted	11	6	10	9				
	Emerged	2	1	3	3				

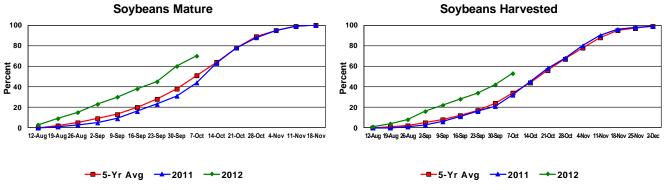
Condition in Percentages

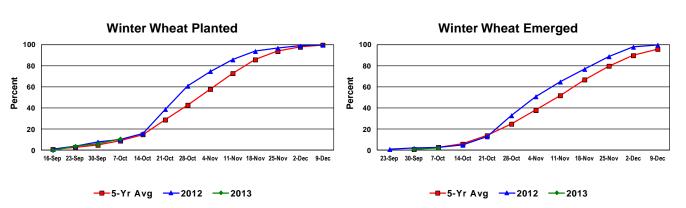
Crop	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	
Cotton	3	6	19	45	27	
Soybeans	3	15	31	39	12	
Hay-Alfalfa	19	33	29	19	0	
Hay-Other	22	26	40	11	1	
Pasture and Range	15	24	41	19	1	











	Temperatures and Precipitation Week Ending Oct 7, 2012								
		Temperatures			Rainfall				
				Dep from	Wk Ending	4 wk	4 wk		to-Date
District	Station	High	Low	Normal *	Oct 7	Accum	Normal	2012	Normal
Northwest	Fayetteville	82	33	-3	0.37	1.85	4.42	24.26	37.43
	Harrison	83	35	-3	0.41	1.61	3.87	23.90	33.93
N. Central	Calico Rock	81	38	-5	0.55	2.88	4.02	29.53	35.70
1,0 001101011	Gilbert	82	36	-6	0.40	2.23	3.97	27.43	35.59
	Greers Ferry	82	40	-3	1.49	4.05	3.59	31.40	36.63
	Mtn. Home	81	35	-5	0.48	2.53	3.83	33.06	35.98
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Northeast	Batesville	81	41	-4	1.34	4.58	3.48	26.51	35.27
	Blytheville	82	41	-5	1.12	3.16	2.95	23.20	36.65
	Jonesboro	84	42	-3	0.91	2.20	3.16	24.02	35.05
	Keiser	84	42	-4	0.83	2.86	3.39	27.43	37.24
	Newport	82	41	-5	1.46	2.96	3.01	31.68	35.38
W. Central	Booneville	84	38	-5	0.25	6.35	3.97	34.94	36.79
	Clarksville	83	40	-4	0.55	3.33	3.64	26.37	37.30
	Dardanelle	83	39	-3	0.31	3.52	3.48	26.45	35.83
	Ft. Smith	87	40	-3	0.26	1.24	3.86	28.24	34.30
	Mena	80	41	-5	0.79	6.99	4.75	40.31	43.44
	Ozark	83	33	-4	2.73	6.36	3.81	31.21	36.20
Central	Conway	82	40	-4	0.60	3.43	3.04	32.14	35.78
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	Hot Springs Little Rock	85	42	-3 -4	0.14	3.33 4.74	3.22	32.78	35.42
	Morrilton	83		-4 -4	0.30			33.36	
			37			6.32	3.30		35.89
	N. Little Rock	83	42	-5	0.82	4.04	3.27	33.43	35.65
E. Central	Brinkley	83	42	-5	0.90	4.76	2.87	30.43	35.06
	Marianna	84	43	-5	0.88	4.31	2.66	24.61	36.67
	Stuttgart	83	44	-3	0.02	2.45	2.84	32.61	35.79
	West Memphis	84	43	-4	1.10	3.19	3.07	31.99	38.42
Southwest	DeQueen	87	44	-2	0.02	1.29	3.66	23.76	36.26
	Норе	86	45	-5	0.06	3.00	3.69	36.66	39.64
	Texarkana	86	45	-2	0.09	1.52	3.36	24.99	35.70
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S. Central	Camden	85	45	-5	0.47	4.65	3.51	39.59	38.23
	El Dorado	83	44	-6	0.32	6.86	3.24	35.75	38.58
	Fordyce**	83	45	-3	0.45	4.31	3.49	41.27	31.91
Southeast	Eudora	86	48	-5	0.23	5.98	3.52	42.46	42.11
	Monticello	85	46	-4	1.10	4.85	3.00	32.12	38.87
	Pine Bluff	84	45	-4	0.67	4.30	3.04	37.75	36.78
	Rohwer	83	45	-6	0.89	5.23	2.68	33.13	37.14

^{*} Departure from normal = $(\underline{\text{high} - \text{low}}) - 30$ year average 2

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^{**} Fordyce station added in March of 2012. Year-to-date rainfall totals will cover the period March 2012 – November 2012.